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This email is compiled by **Neighbourhood Watch** volunteers as a service for residents in the **Kuring Gai** Police Local Area Command (LAC), which includes the **Hornsby** area. Anyone may join our distribution list by emailing: NHWGordon@gmail.com. The weekly update usually includes:

- **Project eyewatch:** A selection of 'posts' from the Kuring Gai LAC facebook page. This includes the Media Release from our Crime Prevention Officer.
- **Local Neighbourhood Watch information:** Meetings, relevant tit-bits, crime prevention tips.

6th May: Hornsby Police request for assistance

"Hornsby Detectives are appealing for witnesses in relation to the **death of 20 year old Alvin FIEGERT** which was possibly drug related. The incident took place in a unit block near **Waitara Avenue, Waitara on the 25th of February 2013**. Any person/s with information can contact Hornsby Detectives on 9476 9799."



Police are appealing to witnesses who may have information relating to the above incident to contact Hornsby Detectives on 9476 9799, or phone Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 to report any information relating to the matter anonymously.

6th May: Hornsby Police news, 6/5/13 The following relate to local issues in the Kuring gai Local Area Command:

Incident: Middle range drink driving

Time/Date: About 12.30am on Saturday the 4th

Place: Park Avenue, Waitara

Vehicle 1: Ford

Driver 1: 32 year old male

Details: The driver was stopped for a random breath test in Balmoral Avenue, Waitara. A roadside breath test gave an alleged positive result for alcohol. A further test gave a result of .081. The man's license was suspended by police and he was charged.

Court: The man is to face Hornsby Local Court on the 30th of May charged with driving with a Middle Range Prescribed Concentration of Alcohol.

Incident: Car v Motor cycle collision

Time/Date: About 7.20 am on Saturday the 4th

Place: Pacific highway x Telegraph road, Pymble.

Vehicle 1: Astra

Cycle: Yamaha

Rider: 35 year old male

Details: The Astra has slowed and stopped behind traffic at a red light. The cycle has braked

allegedly a bit late and has somehow locked a wheel, resulting in the bike dropping. The rider suffered minor leg injuries. He was treated at the scene, but not taken to hospital. The rider received a ticket for negligent riding.

Incident: Stealing offences

Time/Date: About 8.15pm on Thursday the 2nd

Place: Westfield Hornsby

Person: 33 year old male

Details: The male has attended MacDonald's inside Westfield when at some point an alleged dispute has occurred over what food he has started eating. Security has been called where a Security guard was allegedly assaulted. Police were called with a number of inquiries resulted in the male being searched. Numerous items were allegedly found in the male's possession including a powder substance. Also an amount of cash and mobile phones were allegedly located. Police are making inquiries into the powder substance prior to taking any action about that. The male was however charged with having goods in custody offences and having a knife in a public place.

Court: The male is to face Hornsby Local Court on the 29th of May.

Incident: Drug crop found

Time/Date: Wednesday the 1st of May

Place: Warandoo street, Hornsby

Person 1: 29 year old male

Person 2: 21 year old male

Details: Kuring-gai detectives executed a search warrant on a house in Warandoo Street, Hornsby. At the location police arrested 2 males. A large number of Cannabis plants were allegedly found inside the home. They were allegedly being grown in a hydroponics setup. The males were charged with cultivate prohibited drugs.

Court: Both men were refused bail and are to appear at the Central Local Court on the 14th of May.

Incident: Copper theft

Time/Date: Sometime during April.

Place: Hornsby Quarry.

Details: Unknown person/s have cut into electrical copper cabling and stolen it. The copper is for pumps at the quarry. Although the copper is only worth about \$40 it is estimated about \$5,000 would be required to replace it.

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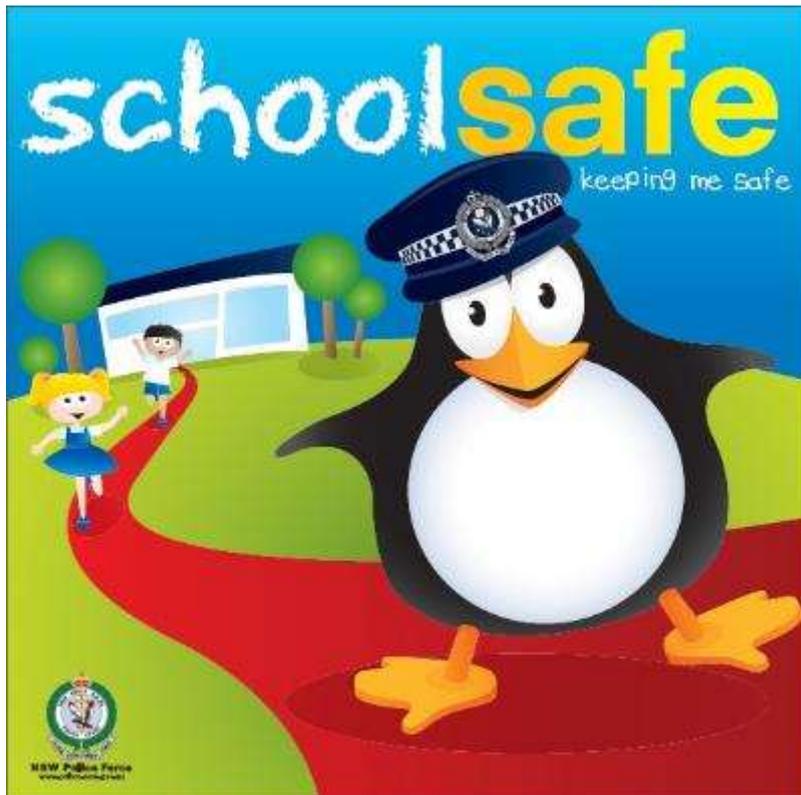
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5th May: Community event Crime Prevention and 'kid safe' TODAY.

Kuring gai police will be at the St Ives 'Festival on the Green' community event today. It is next to Memorial Avenue, St Ives (near the shopping centre). Numerous stalls holders will be there, but the most important one is the police stall (and other essential services). For the adults we have heaps of crime prevention material, including flyers and brochures, for the kids we have Constable Charlie, our 'kids safe' mascot with lots of freebies for the kids and important safety information. Talk to our officers and get some valuable information, or just have a chat. The day is from 10am to 4pm. So drop down there and say "hi!". Last year there were over 10,000 people in attendance.



Ku-ring-gai Council's 'Festival on the Green' on Sunday at St Ives. We understand it was "a great day for the community, with loads of people and lots of crime prevention flyers given out." The kids had a ball with Constable Charlie. Thanks to our Crime Prevention Officer Snr Con Paul Cleary for the photos, with Fiona and Tash helping out with Constable Charlie. Assistance was also given by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers from St Ives E-Watch #1, St Ives E-Watch #2, East Killara NHW Area 25/26, Gordon NHW Area 3/4 (Turramurra), and Gordon NHW Area 24/12/23. Gratitude to Eastwood LAC for the loan of a Volunteer in Policing. Well done all of you!



The pamphlet 'School Safe' is available as a pdf from NHWGordon@gmail.com .

NSW SES Sydney Northern Region reported, "Ku ring gai Festival on the Green was a great success today with with massive numbers of people visiting the SES display. This was the first outing for our new Region Community Education trailer. Thankyou to all Ku ring gai SES volunteers involved in this event."

2nd May: Graffiti offenders beware. You will eventually get caught.

You can download the VandalTrak App and upload images onsite, then report these to the Police Assistance Line **PAL (131444)**. Police can and will use this site to track and catch offenders. As for juvenile offenders I suggest parents you talk to your under 18 children who either are graffiti offenders or are thinking of it. Because of recent legislation changes, graffiti offenders can only be dealt with by way of a CRIMINAL charge, that is you will be charged and go to court for any graffiti offence. You may end up with a criminal record. This may heavily impact on your future work, travel education.

FURTHER PROOF THEY ALL EVENTUALLY GET CAUGHT: Today I learnt police have caught another graffiti offender we have been tracking. This particular offender first appeared on our radar back in 2011. Since that time this particular offender has been active and thanks to our members, data has been continually added. This particular offender appears from the mountains to the city. What makes this extra special is police came across this offender while investigating another matter. A quick search of VandalTrak by quick-thinking police has sealed this person's fate.

As we say at Vandaltrak ' You Snap It, We Trak it!' Well done NSW

Police! <http://www.vandaltrak.com.au/>

1st May: Child Abusers avoid penalty on 'section 10's'.

MEN who rape children are escaping without a conviction as judges let them off with a "section 10". Eight paedophiles found guilty of aggravated sexual assault of a child in the state's courts in 2009 and 2010 had a judge order no conviction be recorded. Another six who were found guilty of indecently assaulting a child were also given a "section 10" - more commonly used for minor offences in the lower courts. One senior barrister described it as "absurd". However, NSW police confirmed section 10 paedophiles cannot slip under the radar for compulsory police checks done by organisations who work with children and young people. **Legislation picks them up after being found guilty or pleading guilty even if they are not punished.**

<http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/news/child-abusers-avoid-penalty-on-section-10s/story-e6freuy9-1226632613706>

5th May, from Lost Pets in NSW: FOUND.....Pennant Hills Rd, Normanhurst NSW (Hornsby Heights)



Tall Dog male mainly White with brown patches found wandering on Pennant Hills Rd around Normanhurst area at 11.15 pm, minutes away from Certain death. Fortunately for him this friendly dog jumped into my car. **Please Contact me on 0468 354 918.**

26th April, from North Shore Times: POLICE are advising residents **not to confront robbers** after an elderly woman apprehended an intruder in her Greenwich home on Tuesday. The woman, 68, got the better of the alleged offender when she caught him rummaging through her fridge at 1am. She trapped the man under a chair and stood on it while her husband contacted police. Police said the man was attempting to steal alcohol and a television. Full story explaining why not to confront robbers

at: <http://newslocal.newspaperdirect.com/epaper/viewer.aspx>

FREE Personal Safety & Stress Management Workshop 10-12noon, Thursday 16 May, Berowra. Run jointly by Hornsby Police & Hornsby Council. Please view for details: <http://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whats-on/all-events/free-events/personal-safety-and-stress-management>. For more information or to book, please phone Jian on 9847 6994 or Fiona on 9476 9715 or email: jzhao@hornsby.nsw.gov.au.

Did you know? The digital version of The North Shore Times (and all the News Local editions) has the option for the article to be read to you. Double-click on the article and choose <listen>. You can then choose <next story> to hear each subsequent article. Please share this audio facility with your vision impaired friends and neighbours. To view: <http://newslocal.newspaperdirect.com/epaper/viewer.aspx>

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Article released: 26 Apr 2012 North Shore Times

Warning against taking on robbers

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POLICE CAUTION RESIDENTS AFTER WOMAN TRAPS INTRUDER

News Local Hornsby Police are advising residents not to confront robbers after an elderly woman apprehended an intruder in her Berowra home on Tuesday.

The woman, 65, got the better of the alleged offender when she caught him sneaking through her front door.

She trapped the man under a chair and stood on it while her husband contacted police.

Police said the man was attempting to steal alcohol and a television.

North Shore Police Superintendent Cosmo Peter Bull (pictured) said the woman was "brave" and "assertive" but he cautioned others about taking matters into their own hands. "Taking a suspect can cause them to panic and be violent in order to escape, so always be cautious in these instances and use common sense to defend yourself," he said.

"No matter the size of the offender they may be armed, and that is very risky to become involved in. That is what the police are tasked to do on your behalf."

Superintendent Bull said it was "heinous" for people to confront intruders.

"We advise residents to ensure their own safety at all times in these instances," he said.

The best advice is to summon police by calling triple 000 and making clear observations of the offender to be an effective witness.

The suspect was charged with aggravated break and enter and committing an indictable offence.



He will appear at Hornsby Court on May 15.

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BLUE LIGHT DISCO Dance Party for ages 8 to 12yrs - 25 May 2013 at Hornsby Kuring-gai PCYC Performing Arts Centre, 22 Waitara Ave, Waitara. Tel: 9477 2310.
Email: hornsby@pcycnsw.org.au .

From NSW Fair Trading: a new standard contract for retirement villages.

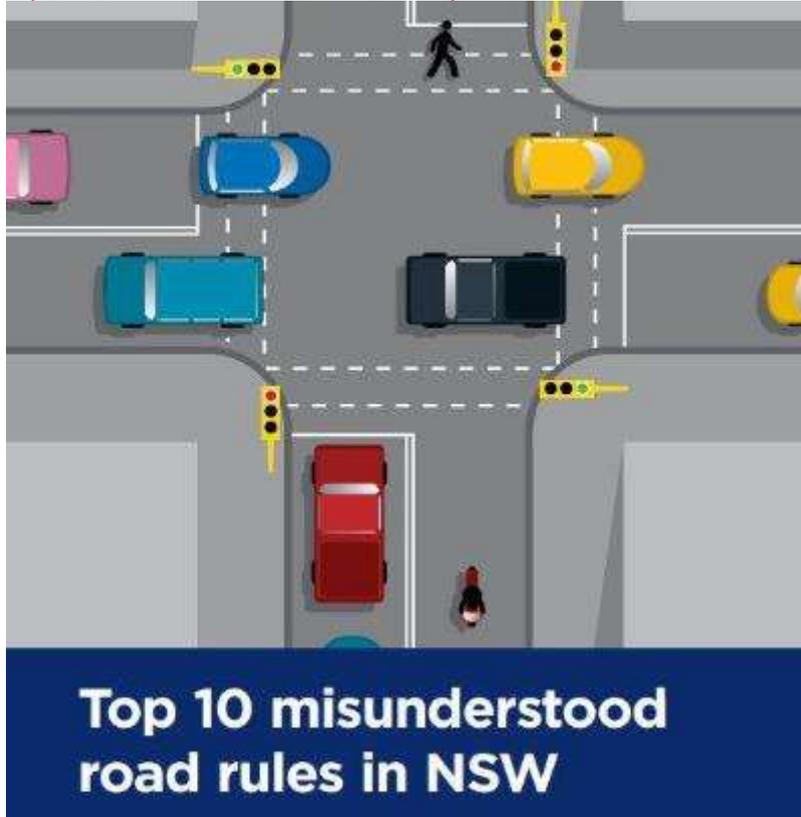
Minister for Fair Trading Anthony Roberts today delivered a Liberals & Nationals election commitment by launching the new streamlined standard contract for the retirement village industry.

Mr Roberts said all retirement villages across the state must have the new standard contract in place by 1 October 2013, along with a general enquiry document that explains the services and facilities available in the village and a new simplified disclosure statement to be given to prospective residents before they sign a contract. More

details: http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/About_us/News_and_events/Media_releases/2013_media_releases/20130426_government_delivers_retirement_village_contract.html

New pamphlet from the RMS: The Top 10 Misunderstood Road

Rules: http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/usingroads/downloads/top_10_misunderstood_road_rules.pdf



A note from last week, that includes a warning for May 8th, if you are near the airport:

PEOPLE in Sydney's CBD shouldn't worry if they see soldiers with weapons and tactical equipment running around Martin Place overnight. The Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel will be taking part in a number of counter-terrorism training exercises around Sydney, including Martin Place and its underground train station on Wednesday and Thursday evening, the ADF says. Soldiers will be carrying weapons and tactical equipment, as well as using simulation ammunition and hand-held pyrotechnics, a defence spokesman says. Defence personnel, along with NSW Police, will train at the **Sydney Airport aviation rescue and firefighting facility** between **May 6 and 8**. Helicopters will be involved in exercises around the Sydney International Equestrian Centre, Parramatta jail and Holsworthy Training Centre. Read more: <http://www.news.com.au/breaking-news/national/soldiers-to-train-in-sydney-cbd/story-e6frku9-1226633089496#ixzz2S0h3pbGp>

From the Blue Mountains LAC, a reminder about the law:

Under Section 122 of the Act, uniformed police officers and Home School Liaison officers are authorised to approach students who are apparently 6 years old or above and under 17 years and not at school between the hours of 9am and 3pm. Students should be asked to produce their leave pass, which will be issued by their school for acceptable absences. The Act also authorises these officers to ask the student for their name and address and the name and address of their school.

Once this information is obtained the officer may:

- accompany the student to school or home to verify this information; or
- direct them to return to school; or
- allow the student to continue with their business if the enquiries of the police have been satisfied and it has been proven that the student has approval to be absent from school.

GET AN EDUCATION



STAY IN SCHOOL

From The Telegraph, news about last week's murder/suicide at Westleigh:

TRAGIC murder-suicide victim Matthew Thomas was shot dead by a close friend who wrongly suspected someone of informing police officers about an alleged drug operation. The deadly turn of events unfolded on Anzac Day when Mr Thomas, 30, was gunned down in his mother's home at Westleigh by his **30-year-old neighbour Peter Junghans**, who then turned the gun on himself. The Sunday Telegraph can now reveal Junghans was facing charges as a mid-level drug supplier after being arrested by a NSW Police task force known as Operation Ipswich. Officers raided his parents' home on Quarter Sessions Rd, Westleigh, on March 20, allegedly seizing 153 cannabis plants from under his house, an air rifle and \$5300 in cash. He was due to face Downing Centre Local Court on June 10. According to confirmed accounts from police and Thomas's family, Junghans was frightened of going to jail and was under the false belief he had been dobbed in to the authorities. The Sunday Telegraph has since established this was entirely untrue with police confirming there was no informant in the drugs case. More at: <http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/news/>

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story-e6freuy9-1226635275039](https://www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC)

Email NHWGordon@gmail.com with any crime prevention questions you may have and we can share the answers with the community.

Your local Police have a facebook page. Have you had a look? The page can be accessed without logging in to facebook. Simply click on the link: www.facebook.com/KuringGaiLAC. This page is where our volunteers copy and paste the posts from in order to create the email content above. If you click on <photos> there is an <album> called <Neighbourhood Watch Materials> that you may wish to take a look at.



Remember to report any suspicious activity in the neighbourhood directly to Hornsby Police on 02 9476 9799. **DON'T DELAY IN REPORTING!**

Please encourage your neighbours, family, colleagues and friends to join our NHW Gordon Mailing list at NHWGordon@gmail.com.

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